Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 TRIPOL 01105 301533Z

50
ACTION SS-25

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 SSO-00 NSCE-00 /026 W
---------- 051583
O 301515Z SEP 75
FM AMEMBASSY TRIPOLI
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 2547

C O N F I D E N T I A L TRIPOLI 1105

EXDIS

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, ENRG
SUBJECT: LARG REQUEST USG INTERVENTION IN LIBYAN-
OCCIDENTAL OIL CO. DISPUTE

REF: TRIPOLI 1068 AND 1103

1. MFA DEPUTY UNDERSECRETARY FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS ALI TRAYKI ASKED TO SEE CHARGE URGENTLY SEPT 30 P.M. READING FROM NOTES TRAYKI SAID OCCIDENTAL OIL CO HAS REFUSED TO MAKE 47 MILLION LIBYAN DINAR ($160 MILLION) PAYMENT TO LARG TODAY, PART OF TOTAL OF ABOUT $500 MILLION OXY OWES LARG. TRAYKI SAID HE WAS RAISING IT WITH CHARGE BECAUSE OXY HAS COMMITTED SERIOUS CONTRAVENTION OF ITS CONTRACT WITH LARG, AND LATTER WAS REQUESTING USG'S INTERVENTION IN DISPUTE. HE REPEATED SEVERAL TIMES THAT CONTRACT PROVIDED FOR ARBITRATION AND LARG WAS READY TO NEGOTIATE THIS PROBLEM. LARG WAS ALSO READY TO NEGOTIATE A TAKEOVER FROM OXY IF THAT IS WHAT OXY WANTS. HE ADDED THAT LARG RESERVES ITS RIGHT TO TAKE THE STEPS IT BELIEVES ARE NECESSARY TO PROTECT ITS INTERESTS.

2. HE SAID LARG CONTINUES TO HOPE THAT THERE WILL BE IMPROVEMENT IN US-LIBYA RELATIONS, AND OXY'S REFUSAL TO MAKE PAYMENT DUE WOULD NOT HELP PROCESS OF IMPROVEMENT. CHARGE POINTED OUT THAT OXY IS A PRIVATE COMPANY, AND ASSURED TRAYKI HIS REQUEST AND COMMENTS WOULD BE SENT TO THE DEPT PROMPTLY. TRAYKI SAID HE HOPED TO RECEIVE AN
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 TRIPOL 01105 301533Z

EARLY ANSWER.

Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006

Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006

3. WE WILL ASK OXY LIBYA PRES ESPEY TO BRIEF US ON SITUATION.
STEIN

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: Z
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: DISPUTES, PETROLEUM INDUSTRY, COMPENSATION, FOREIGN RELATIONS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 30 SEP 1975
Decaption Date: 28 MAY 2004
Decaption Note: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: johnsorg
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975TRIPOL01105
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D750338-0690
From: TRIPOLI
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t1975093/aaaaaciy.tel
Line Count: 64
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION SS
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: EXDIS
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: EXDIS
Reference: 75 TRIPOLI 1068
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: johnsorg
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 15 AUG 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <15 AUG 2003 by izenbei0>; APPROVED <02 DEC 2003 by johnsorg>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
06 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: LARG REQUEST USG INTERVENTION IN LIBYAN- OCCIDENTAL OIL CO. DISPUTE
TAGS: PFOR, ENRG, EINV, LY, US, OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM CO
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006